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Dear Mr. Bowley,

How does a street come to be called "Close" rather than street or avenue?

Thanks for that CIA record. I regret I cannot answer most of your questions about it.

You may get a response from the CIA telling you FOIA requires them to disclose identifiable records, not to do any research for requesters.

My Jim Garrison files are quite extensive and more, are in the basement and I am severely limited in use of the stairs so I cannot help that way. I should tell you that to begin with I believed he knew what he was talking about, that I had no real interst in Shaw and presumed that as a prosecutor he would not have made ~~ushh~~ such charges without proof, and too late realized that he was just making it all up as he went. I know of nothing factual that he ever brought to light, alas, and almost nobody mislead and misinformed so many people and so effectively at that. The man was a great tragedy, he was that able, but there is nothing at all about the assassination from him that I know of that is factual, dependable.

When as it should be soon Case Open is available I'll have nothing to do with sales. It is being published by Carroll & Graf, 260 Fifth Ave., New York, NY 10001. The manuscript was cut so heavily I believe they plan to charge a modest sum for it. But I have no idea when it will appear. They've not told me.

The Domestic Contact Service is overt and normal for all such agencies.

That, however, does not explain anything like those files of Dentual Cover Staff being searched.

Hunter Leake was head of the New Orleans DCS. It would have been normal for him to have had that many contacts with Shaw because of Shaw's position and the interests of all intelliegnce agencies in the kinds of information all such people can provide. That is not spooking. Given the many interests they an innumerable number other shared in New Orleans, it is not at all unlikely that from time to time they just bumped into each other.

I used that Corriere della Sera story in Oswald in New Orleans. I cannot add to it.

Never heard of Project QKENCHANT and do not know what Shaw was given covert security approval for, but that paragraph is enough for a FOIA request for that and relevwnt records.. Interesting and provocative!

It is a distortion to say that Garrison's men just raided Shaw's my hoe, which was a house, not an apartment. They had a search warrant. If you learn any more, I'm interested.

Best wishes,

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